

## Miscellany.

## A POET WITH A WAY OF HIS OWN.

I know a poet, pale, severe,  
Who is a poet born; but he  
Declares our language is so queer,  
So lasting in consistency,  
He cannot find himself to it,  
But writes as writing should be writ,  
With his permission I submit  
Some samples of his country:

## I. THE RABBIT.

So shy and gentle is thy mien,  
So shrinking and so timid;  
Thou knowest well if thou art seen  
Thy chance of life is slimous.

## II. THE LION.

Thou quiet beast within thy cage,  
Thou captive curiosity!  
But, ah! within thy heart is rage,  
Revenge and ferocity.

## III. THE CAT.

Calmly thou purr, soothing there;  
Dost thou feel aught of gratitude  
For thy good home and kindly care,  
And health and strength and fatitude?  
—[E. A. Oppen, in St. Nicholas for October.

## SHEEP FARMING IN AUSTRALIA.

New South Wales stands first of all the Australian colonies as a sheep-breeding country, both as regards the number of its flocks and the number of sheep pastured per unit of area. But whilst Victoria has nearly reached the limit of its natural capabilities in this particular direction, a considerable proportion of its area being now devoted to agriculture, New South Wales has not yet approached these limits. In Queensland, as in South Australia, sheep breeding does not absorb the attention of pastoralists to the same extent that it does in New South Wales. The former colony is more adapted to the breeding of cattle; whilst in the southern and more settled districts of South Australia greater attention is paid to the cultivation of cereals, its northern territory, like that of Queensland, being more adapted by nature to the breeding of cattle and horses. Western Australia is at present in the early stage of its colonization; much of its area is still unknown, and it is, therefore, impossible to estimate its future as a sheep-breeding country. It may, however, be surmised that the southern portion of its immense territory will in time to come be stocked with sheep, whilst the northern portion will probably be found more suitable for the breeding of cattle and horses, on account of its resemblance to portions of Queensland and the northern territory of South Australia situated under the same latitude. It was thought at one time that cattle breeding would occupy a position in New South Wales equal to that of sheep-breeding, but experience has shown that the general climatic conditions are more favorable to sheep than to cattle, and the colony is probably destined to remain, as it now is, the great sheep-breeding center of Australia.

The different degrees of success attending sheep farming in different parts of the country has long since directed attention to the fact that each part of Australia is not equally fitted for the production of fine wools. New South Wales may be divided climatically into four zones: (1) The coast country, extending from the seaboard to the main range, the breadth of which varies from 20 to 100 miles; (2) the table-land districts on the summit of the range; (3) the upper part of the western slopes; or (4) the interior of the "salt-bush country."

## HARNESSING NIAGARA.

Engineers have estimated that the total water-power of Niagara Falls is seven million horse-power. This estimate, to be sure, is in the main only a guess, but when the area drained into the lakes above Lake Ontario, and passing through the Niagara river be considered, the guess or estimate does not seem to be too large. The water surface of the Great Lakes above Ontario is 84,000 square miles, and the water-shed of these lakes is 240,000 square miles—more than twice the area of Great Britain and Ireland. The total length of shore-line is 5000 miles, while the volume of water is 6000 cubic miles, of which Lake Superior contains almost one-half. The rate of outflow at Buffalo is from 217,000 to 275,000 cubic feet per second, while the fall of the cataract is 165 feet. The volume of water in the lakes is such that it has been estimated that even if no rain fell the flow of the river would be continued at its present rate for one hundred years—that is, if the lakes could be gradually drained.

These are very large figures, but in the main they are the results of exact measurements. The small water-powers in the world are uneven, and are affected by floods and droughts, but this great power at Niagara is as constant as anything in this world can be, not even the ice in the severest and longest winter ever known appreciably changing it. The present plan is intended only to utilize 125,000 horse-power, and the turbines now in place are only for a small part of this. Other turbine wheels will be put in place as the demand for the power grows. The general plan of the company contemplates the ultimate use of 450,000 horse-power on the American side and a like amount in Canada. Such a power would turn all the wheels within a radius of five hundred miles of the Falls. At the present time a considerable part of the power developed is to be taken to Buffalo by electric transmission, and it is the confident expectation of the electricians now at work on the problem that the power can be taken as far east as Albany, three hundred miles away, and delivered there cheaper than power can be generated by burning coal. If this be so, then all the country between Albany and the Falls will be admirably adapted for manufacturing, while the Erie

Canal will afford cheap and tolerably quick transportation, for there seems to be little difficulty in the way of hauling these boats by electrical power.—[Harper's Weekly.

## A YOUTHFUL RAILWAY MAGNATE.

Little Archie Crowley of Dellwood, Minn., is probably the youngest railway manager in the world. Archie is but seven years old, yet he controls an entire electrical railroad. It is true that the road is but one-tenth of a mile in length, nevertheless it is fitted out just as completely as any road that is run by grown persons. Archie is president, secretary, conductor, brakeman and motorman, while his sisters and playmates are the passengers. The road was built for Archie by his father, who is a St. Paul banker.

There are three cars on the road—one motor car and two passenger cars. Each car is five feet long and two feet wide. It is not a trolley road. Instead of a trolley wire there is a long strip of iron which lies between the tracks and supplies the electricity which makes the cars move along. On the motor car is the rheostat, which is an arrangement for controlling the electric current. By using it Archie can make his cars move as fast or as slow as he pleases. On this car also are the motor and the brake, and also the reversing switch which makes the cars move backward.

At one end of the road is the power-house, where the electricity is generated. The electric current comes from a small dynamo which is driven by a petroleum engine. There is also a shed where the cars are stored at night and in winter time. In the power-house everything is arranged just the same as if it were a large station run by a regular company.

But Archie is the company in this case. His road is on the hill by the side of White Bear lake, and he is the only boy in that region who is liable to go coasting in summer time. He himself will tell you, the best of all is that in this kind of coasting you do not have to walk back up the hill. The electricity pulls you up. Archie is very proud of his road, and spends the days carrying his sisters and their dolls along the road. He can stop any place on the way, so he pretends there are several stations, and his sisters get out. Then he takes them up again when he comes back, and collects make-believe money from them. They all have a very good time riding on the cars, and Archie is learning a great deal about electricity.—[From the Milwaukee Sentinel.

## EDWIN BOOTH'S UNHAPPINESS.

To His Daughter He Says He Was Never Really Happy.

A number of letters written by Edwin Booth to his daughter and intimate friends are published in The Century. The following one to his daughter gives an index to the melancholy that was so marked in his disposition:

NEW YORK, Jan. 5, 1888.

I have seen Rose several times and shall say good-bye tomorrow. I do all I can for her, but nothing on earth can render her lonely life less weary, poor soul! As for God's reward for what I have done, I can hardly appreciate it. This more like punishment for misdeeds (of which I've done many) than grace for good ones (if I've done any). Homelessness is the actor's fate, physical incapacity to attain what is most required and desired by such a spirit as I am slave to. If there be rewards, I certainly am well paid, but hard schooling in life's thankless lessons has made me somewhat of a philosopher, and I've learned to take the buffets and rewards of fortune with equal thanks, and in suffering all to suffer—I won't say nothing, but comparatively little. Dick Stoddard wrote a poem called "The King's Bell," which fits my case exactly (you may have read it). He dedicated it to Lorimer Graham, who never knew an unhappy day in his brief life, instead of to me, who never knew a really happy one. You mustn't suppose from this that I'm ill in mind or body. On the contrary, I am well enough in both. Nor am I a pessimist. I merely wanted you to know that the sugar of my life is bitter-sweet—perhaps not more so than every man's whose experience has been above and below the surface. Business has continued large and increases a little every night. The play will run two weeks longer. Sunday at 4 o'clock I start for Baltimore, arriving there at 10 o'clock.

Tomorrow a meeting of actors, managers and artists at breakfast to discuss and organize, if possible, a theatrical club like the Garrick of London.

## A Shrewd Dog.

A gentleman once stopped his gig at the door of a shop. Entering the shop, he left the dog on the seat of the gig. The horse took fright at something and bolted off down the street, dragging the reins on the ground. The dog at once jumped down and seized the reins in his teeth. Although he was pulled along for some distance, he kept pulling against the runaway horse till he managed to bring it to a standstill.—Family Herald.

## Signs of Coming Trouble.

Johnny—I tell you, papa's going to catch it after the company's gone.  
Tommy—How do you know?  
Johnny—He's told me once or twice she was mistaken about something, and she's said, "Why, darling!"

## Forest Air.

There is a general impression that the humidity of the air is greater in the woods than in the open fields. This is contradicted, however, by the result of observations recently made in Germany. It was found there that the humidity, both relative and absolute, was slightly greater in the open than in the woods, and this was true equally in the morning and in the afternoon.

As to the temperature of the air among the trees, it was a trifle higher than in the open in the morning, and in a more marked degree in the afternoon.—Youth's Companion.

## A Matter of Taste.

She—But how can you think I'm pretty when my nose turns up so?  
He—Well, all I have to say is that it shows mighty poor taste in backing away from such a lovely mouth.—Standard.

## A Temple Made From a Single Stone.

Mayalipman, India, has seven of the most remarkable temples in the world, each of these unique places of worship having been fashioned from solid granite boulders. Some idea of their size and the task of chiseling out the interior may be gleaned from the fact that the smallest of the seven is 24 feet high, 17 feet long and 12 feet wide. Travelers who have carefully examined them are of the opinion that it took centuries of work to carve these graceful edifices from native rock.—St. Louis Republic.

## ALL SORTS.

## A Beautiful and Brilliant Girl.

Beauty, robust health, social prominence and all that makes life bright was rapidly fading from the possession of the charming Miss K., of Beacon street. Her nearest friends could not imagine what caused the tokens of anguish that furrowed o'er the once smooth and rosy countenance. When almost in despair, she happened to see one of those "horrid newspaper advertisements" of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which said it was a remedy suitable to her case. Without consulting her physician or anybody else she got the medicine of a druggist, took it, and in three months' time she was well of all her troubles. All pains had ceased, she was herself again, and shortly resumed her place as leader of her chosen circle. Her experience is that of thousands. Why may it not be yours?

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"Here you are then."  
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The subscribers, having been appointed by the honorable Probate court for the district of Caledonia, Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Mary A. Phelps, late of Peacham, in said district, deceased, and the term of six months from the 29th day of August, 1894, being allowed by said court to the creditors of said person, to exhibit and prove their respective claims before us. Give notice that we will attend to the duties of our appointment at the dwelling-house of J. R. Kinserson, in Peacham, in said district, on the 20th day of October and the 7th day of March, next, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon on each of said days.

JAMES R. KINERSON,  
ALBERT G. BICKFORD,

Peabody, Vt., Sept. 24, A. D. 1894.

## Presentation of Account.

ROBERT GIBSON'S ESTATE.

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate court held at the Probate office in St. Johnsbury, in said district, on the 17th day of October, A. D. 1894.

George P. Blair, executor of the last Will and testament of Robert Gibson, late of Ryegate, in said district, deceased, presents his administration account for examination and allowance, and makes application for decree of distribution and partition of the estate of said deceased.

Whereupon, it is ordered by said court, that said account and said application be referred to a session thereof, to be held at the probate office in said St. Johnsbury, on the 28th day of November, A. D. 1894, for hearing and decision thereon; And it is further ordered that notice hereof be given to all persons interested, by publication of the same three weeks successively in the Caledonian, a newspaper published at St. Johnsbury previous to said time appointed for hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and show cause, if any they may have, why said account should not be allowed and such decree made.

By the Court, Attest:

WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

## Presentation of Account.

MARIA G. SOMERS'S ESTATE.

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate court held at the Probate office in St. Johnsbury, in said district, on the 10th day of October, A. D. 1894.

Samuel G. Somers, administrator upon the estate of Maria G. Somers, late of Barnet, in said district, deceased, presents his administration account for examination and allowance, and makes application for decree of distribution and partition of the estate of said deceased.

Whereupon, it is ordered by said court, that said account and said application be referred to a session thereof, to be held at the Probate office in said St. Johnsbury, on the 27th day of October, A. D. 1894, for hearing and decision thereon; And it is further ordered that notice hereof be given to all persons interested, by publication of the same three weeks successively in the Caledonian, a newspaper published at St. Johnsbury previous to said time appointed for hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and show cause, if any they may have, why said account should not be allowed and such decree made.

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